

Simple Math is Enough: Two Examples of Inferring Functional Associations from Genomic Data.

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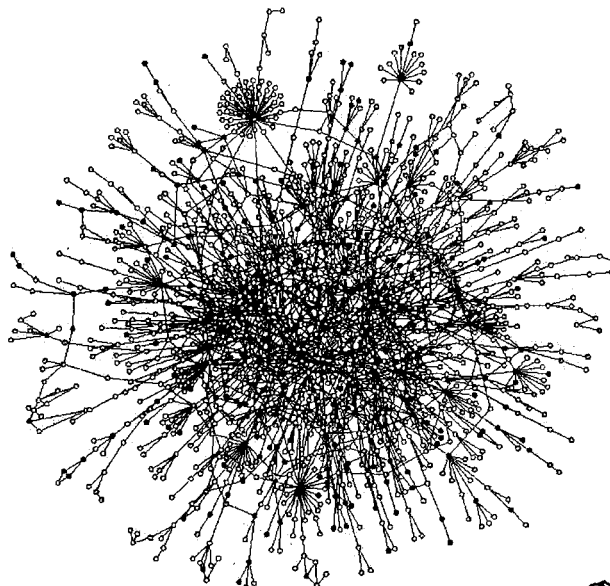
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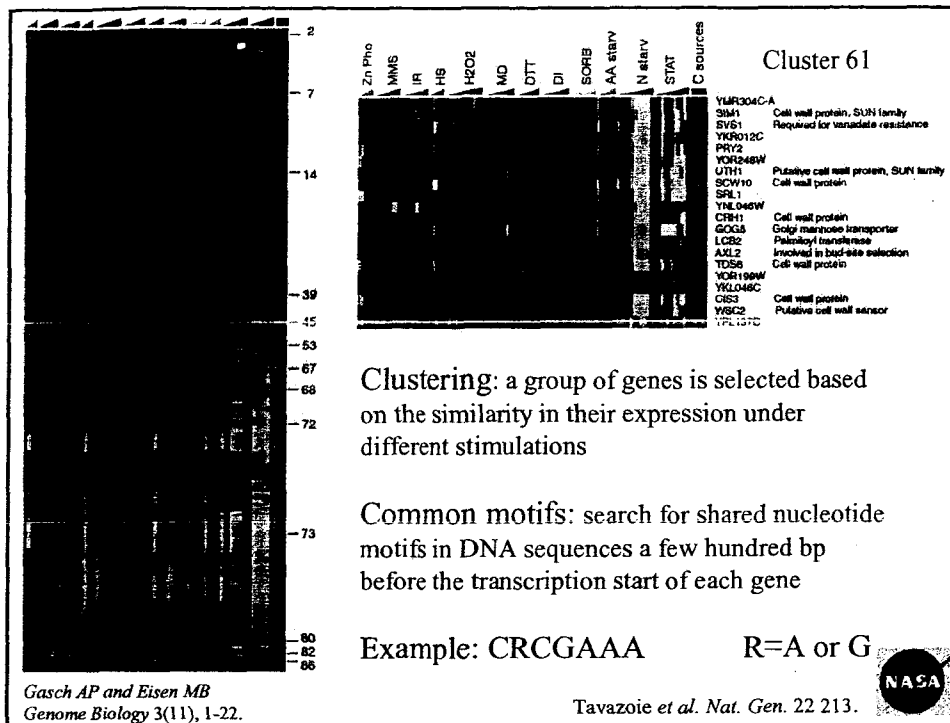
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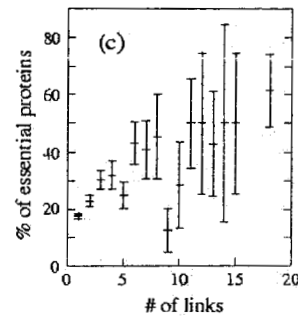
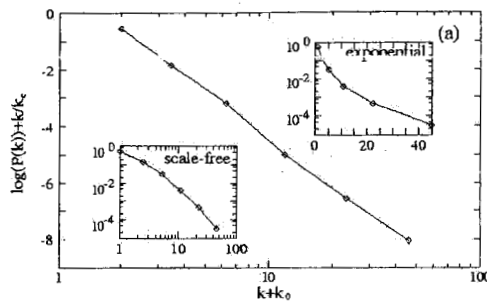
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Protein-protein interactions: non-random features

$$N_k = k^\alpha$$



Jeong et al., Nature (2001) 411:41-2.

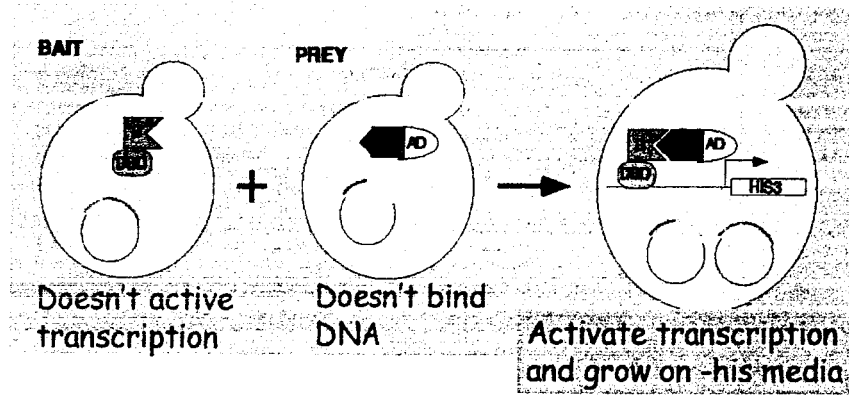


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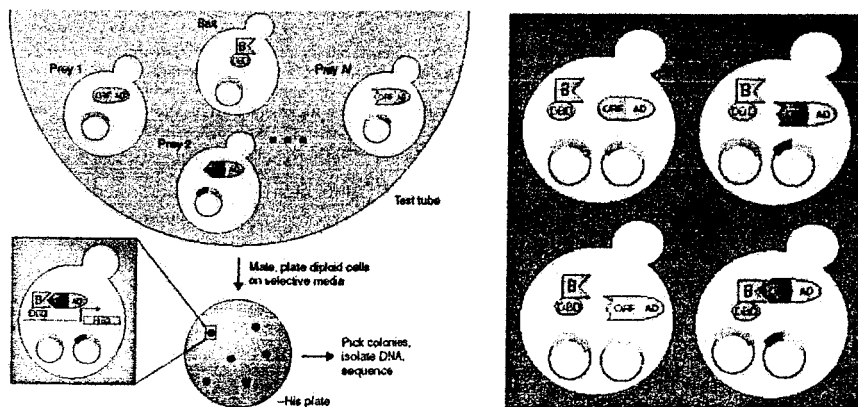
- A method of suggesting protein functions based on protein-protein interaction data.
 - Samanta, M., Liang, S, *Proc Natl Acad Sci USA*. (2003) **100**, 12579-12583.
- A method of extracting protein-binding DNA motifs from a single microarray experiment.
 - Bussemaker et al. *Nat. Genet.* (2001) **27** 167-171.
 - Work in progress



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P. Uetz, et al. *Nature* 403, 623-7 (2000).



Guessing function is difficult

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ADA2	trans. adaptor or co-activator
GCN5	histone acetyltransferase
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SUA7	TFIIB subunit
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Prediction of protein function is difficult from the raw data

Example 2:

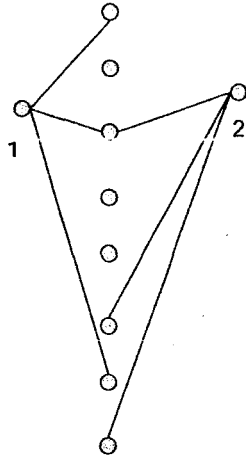
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two proteins having a large number of
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Protein 1 interacts with n_1 partners; Protein 2 interacts with n_2 partners.

The probability P of having m partners in common

$$P = \frac{\binom{N}{m} \binom{N-m}{n_1-m} \binom{N-n_1}{n_2-m}}{\binom{N}{n_1} \binom{N}{n_2}}$$



counting problem #1:

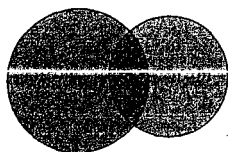
Distinct ways for protein 1 to have n_1 interacting partners is $\binom{N}{n_1} = \frac{N!}{(N-n_1)!n_1!}$

Similarly for protein 2 $\binom{N}{n_2} = \frac{N!}{(N-n_2)!n_2!}$

Total number of ways of having n_1 interacting partners for protein 1 and n_2 interacting partners for protein 2 $\binom{N}{n_1} \binom{N}{n_2}$



counting problem #2:
The protein 1 and protein 2 have m
interacting partners in common.

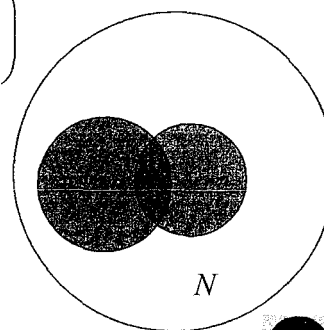


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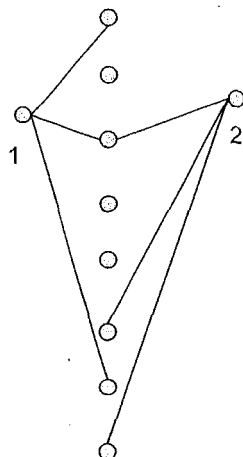
m common partners

n_1-m remaining partner for protein 1

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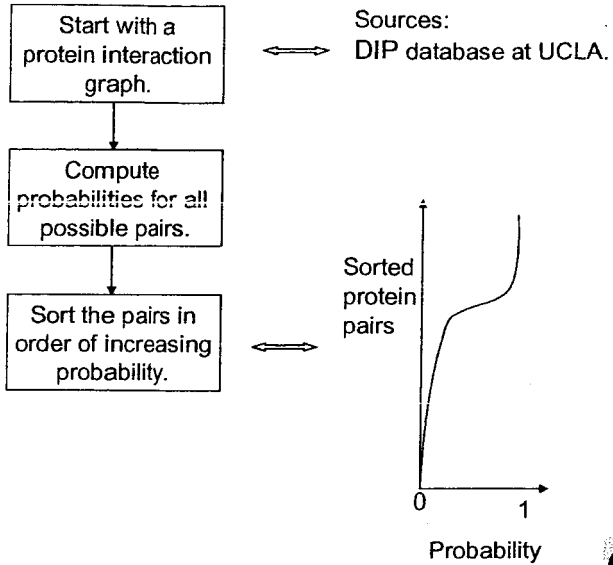
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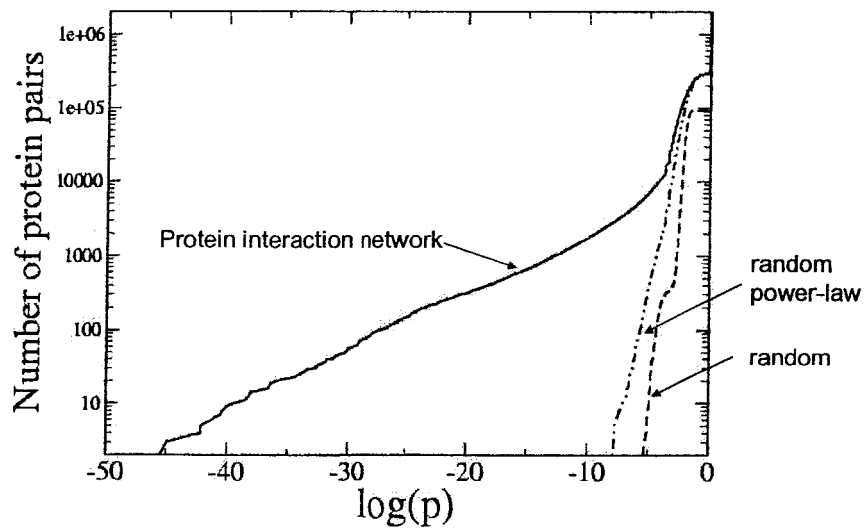
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Methods and Data Sources

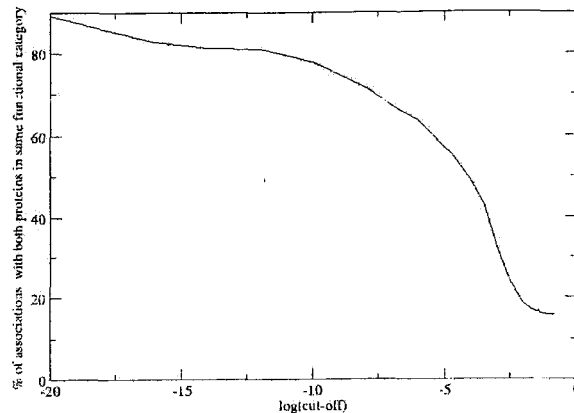


Protein interaction network vs. random networks



Top 1000 pairs are more than 70% likely to have similar function of both proteins (random pair 3-6%).

Functional similarities of protein pairs at different cut-offs



ADR1

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Associations of ADR1 from our method

Prot.	Log(p)	Function of protein
TAF61	-10.74	TFIID and SAGA subunit
NGG1	-9.85	general transcriptional adaptor or co-activator
TAF60	-9.33	TFIID and SAGA subunit
ADA2	-9.33	general transcriptional adaptor or co-activator
GCN4	-9.19	transcriptional activator of amino acid biosynthetic genes
TAF17	-8.86	TFIID and SAGA subunit
SPT7	-8.3	involved in alteration of transcription start site selection
TSM1	-8.09	component of TFIID complex
SPT20	-7.83	member of the TBP class of SPT proteins that alter transcription site selection
SPT15	-7.44	the TATA-binding protein TBP
TAF90	-7.36	TFIID and SAGA subunit
TAF19	-7.08	TFIID subunit (TBP-associated factor), 19 kD
GAL4	-6.94	transcription factor



Example 2: YDL246C

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Proteins Sharing Partners with YDL246C (using our algorithm):

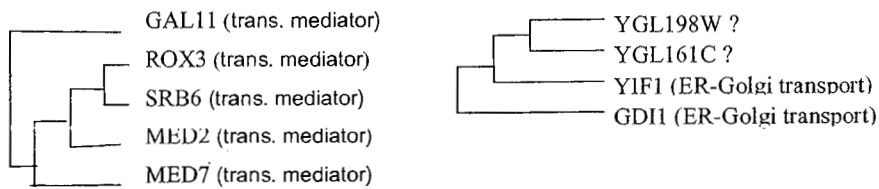
SOR1	Sorbitol dehydrogenase	-13 [log(p)]
HSP10	Heat-shock protein	-6 (too small)

<http://www.nas.nasa.gov/bio/>



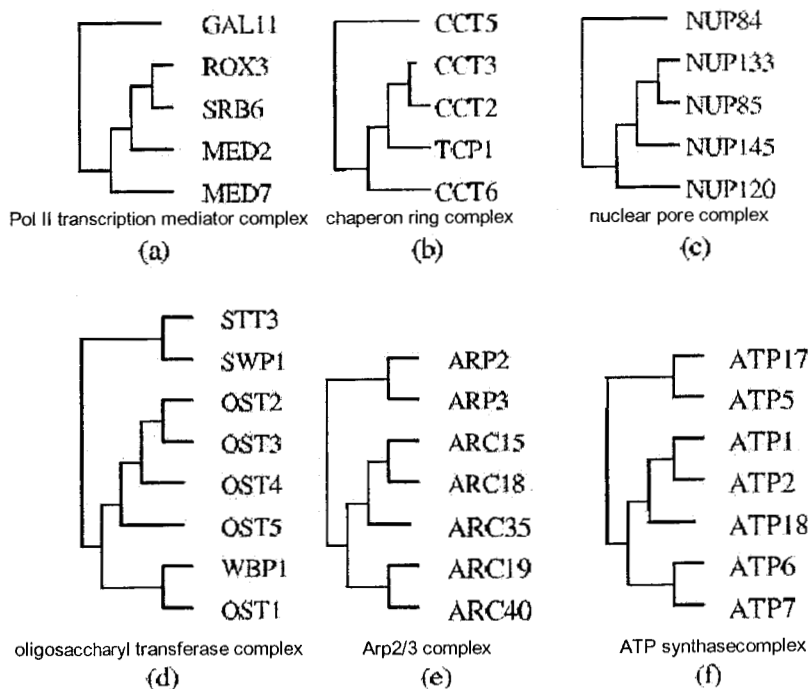
By clustering we can recover complexes and pathways

202 modules are reconstructed covering most aspects of cell.



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YDL246C: same function as SOR1 (sorbitol dehydrogenase)



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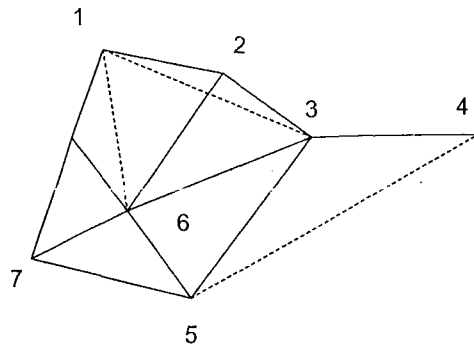
Protein	Predicted function
YFR024C-A (YSC85), YHR114W (BZZ1)*, YNL094W (APP1), YMR192W (APP2)	Actin filament organization
YGR268C (HUA1), YOR284W (HUA2), YPR171W (BSP1)	Actin patch assembly
YJR083C (ACF4)	Actin cytoskeleton organization and biogenesis
YDR036C (EHD3)	Protein biosynthesis in mitochondrial small ribosomal subunit
YKL214C (YRA2)	mRNA processing/RNA metabolism
YNL207W (RIO2)	Nucleolar protein involved in 40S ribosomal biogenesis
YLR409C (UTP21), YKR060W (UTP30), YGR090W (UTP22), YER082C(UTP7)*, YJL069C(UTP18)*, YBR247C (ENP1)	Associated with U3 snoRNA and 20S rRNA biosynthesis
YMR288W (HSH155)*	snRNA binding involved in mRNA splicing
YHR197W (RIX1), YNL182C (IPI3), YLR106C (MDN1)*	Ribosomal large subunit assembly and maintenance
YGR128C (UTP8)	Processing of 20S pre-rRNA
YGR215W (RSM27), YGL129C (RSM23)*	Structural constituent of ribosome
YDL213C (NOP6)	rRNA processing/transcription elongation
YNL306W (MRPS18)*	Mitochondrial small ribosomal subunit
YPR144C (UTP19), YDL148C (NOP14)*, YLR186W (EMG1), YJL109C (UTP10)*, YBL004W (UTP20)	snoRNA binding, 35S primary transcript processing
YGL099W (LSG1)*, YDR101C (ARX1)	27S pre-rRNA ribosomal subunit
YOL077C (BRX1), YOR206W (NOC2), YNL135C (FPR1)	Biogenesis and transport of ribosome
YOR145C (DIM2)	35S Primary transcript processing and rRNA modification



Protein	Predicted function
YEL015W (DCP3)	Deadenylation dependent decapping and mRNA catabolism
YDL002C (NHP10), YLR176C (RFX1)*	Modification of chromatin architecture/transcription
YDR469W (SDC1)*	Chromatin silencing and histone methylation
YPL070W (MUK1)	Transcription factor (or its carrier)
YLR427W (MAG2)	DNA N-glycosylase involved in DNA dealkylation
YDL076C (RXT3), YJL112W (HOS4)	Histone deacetylase complex involved in chromatin silencing
YNL265C (IST1)	Transcription initiation factor
YLR192C (HCR1)*	Translation initiation as part of eIF3 complex
YDL074C (BRE1)	Chromosome condensation and segregation process
YGR156W (PTT1)*, YKL059C (MPE1)*	mRNA cleavage and polyadenylation specificity factor
YGR089W (NNF2)	Chromosome segregation (spindle pole) and mitosis
YGL161C (YIP5), YGL198W (YIP4)	Vesicle mediated transport
YPL246C (RBD2), YJL151C (SNA3), YGL104C (VPS73) [20], YKR030W (MSG1)	Cell wall synthesis/protein-vacuolar targeting
YBR098W (MMS4)	Golgi to endosome transport and vesicle organization
YHR105W (YPT35)	Golgi to vacuolar transport
YBL049W (MOH1), YCL039W (MOH2)	Both same function. Possibly linked with vacuolar transport
YDL246C (SOR2)	Possibly involved in fructose and mannose metabolism
YMR322C (SNO4)	Pyridoxine metabolism
YDR430C (CYM1)	Protein involved in pyruvate metabolism
YJL199C (MBB1), YPL004C (LSP1), YGR086C (PIL1)	Metabolic protein
YLR097C (HRT3)	Nuclear ubiquitinase ligase
YKR046C (PET10)	ATP/ADP exchange
YEL017W (GTT3)	Protein linked with glutathione metabolism
YGL133W (TTC1)	Chromatin remodeling
YGR161C (RTS3)	Protein phosphatase 2A complex
YOR144C (EFD1)	DNA replication and repair
YML117W (NAB6)	Nuclear RNA binding
YLR432W (TMD3)	RNA helicase involved in mRNA splicing
YKL095W (YJU2), YGR278W (CWC22), YDL209C (CWC2)*	Spliceosome complex involved in mRNA splicing
YGR232W (NAS6)*, YGL004C (RPN14), YLR421C (RPN13)*	Proteasome complex



Our method is very robust from noise !!



We added 50% random noise, we still recover 90% of top 2800 associations.

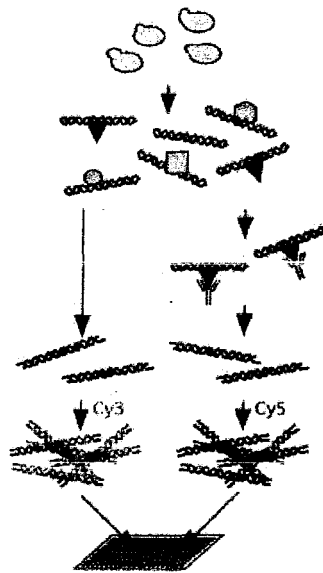
The method is not biased toward proteins with large interaction partners. JSN1 has the largest interaction partners, yet none of top associations involves JSN1.



summery

- i) Non-random features in the genomic data are usually biologically meaningful. The key is to choose the feature well. Having a p-value based score prioritizes the findings.
- ii) If two proteins share a unusually large number of common interaction partners, they tend to be involved in the same biological process. We used this finding to predict the functions of 81 un-annotated proteins in yeast.





chIP chip experiments

A transcription factor (TF) is engineered to contain a tag

Enriched DNA fragments that binds to the TF are pull out and compared to the background without enrichment.

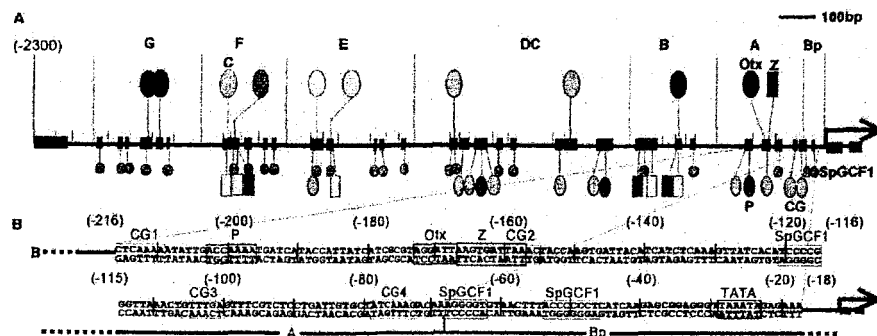
Using DNA chips, preferred binding sites are identified, genome-wide, to within a few hundred nucleotides.

Find the binding motif.

Ren et al. *Science* (2000); Iyer et al. *Nature* 409 533

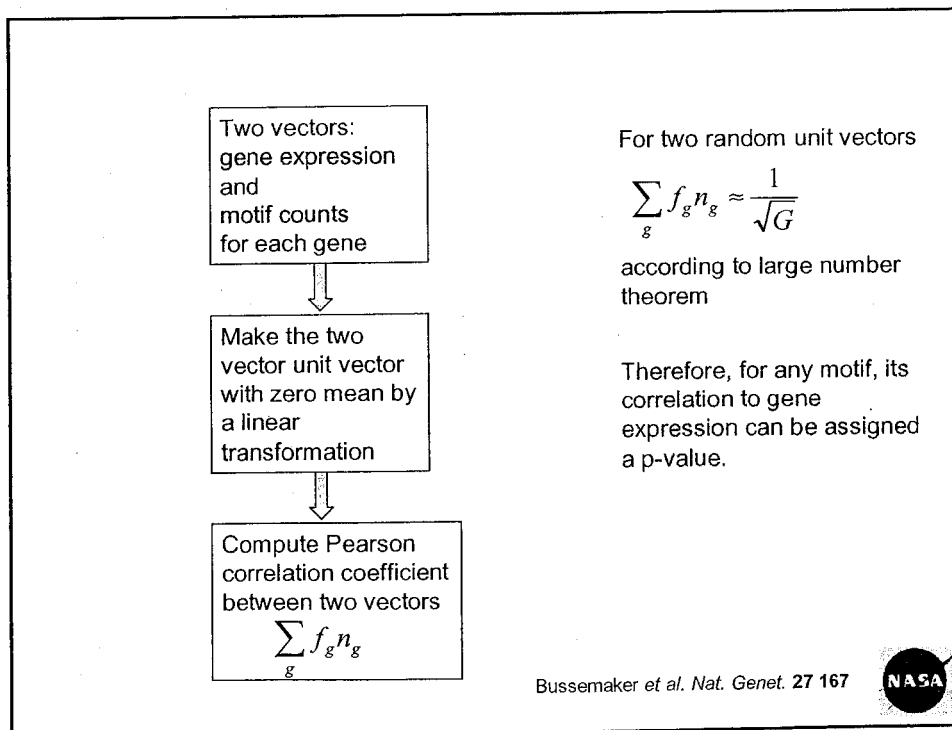
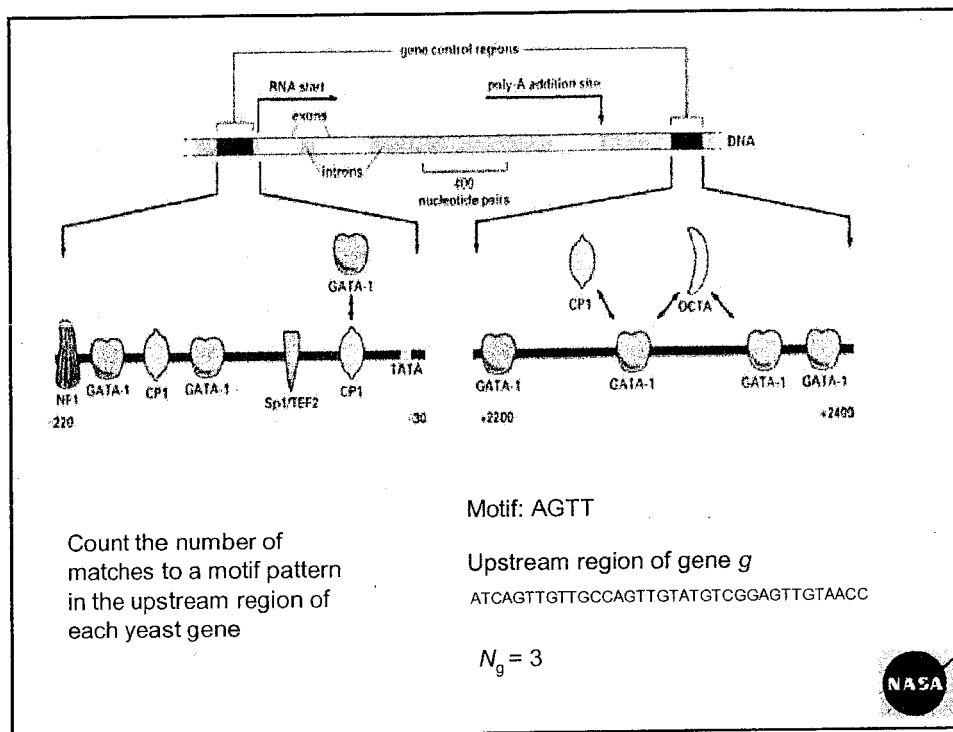


cis-regulatory elements (enhancers) are packed with protein binding sites: 2300 bp enhancer of *endo16*



Yuh CH, Bolouri H, Davidson EH., *Science*. 279:1896-902.





improvements

- Allow motifs to be fuzzy
 - Motif may contain a small number of IUPAC characters: S(CG), W(AT), K(GT), M(AC), R(AG), Y(CT).
- Transcription factors are known to bind to fuzzy motifs. Therefore with IUPAC the motif are more realistic.

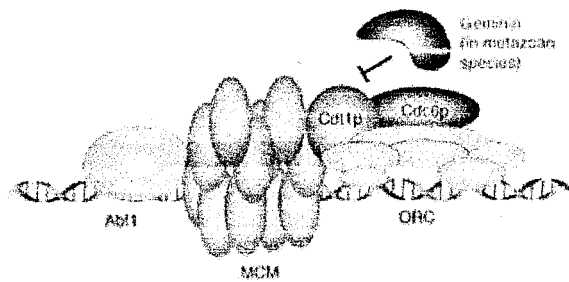


Fuzzy motifs require much more computations

- For $L=10$, there are $4^L=10^6$ motifs. Each takes M G calculations, where G ($=6000$) is # of genes; M ($=500$) is # of nucleotides.
- For m IUPAC characters, add another factor of $\binom{L}{m} \left(\frac{11}{4}\right)^m \approx 3500$ (for $m=3$) additional motifs.
- We explore sparseness of the count matrix as well as by storing certain intermediate results to achieve *several hundred-fold* speedup.



DNA origin of replication signals



Protein	Motif	p-value (-log10)
MCM7	WAAAYATWAA	64
ORC	WAAAYATWAA	56
MCM3	WAAAYATWAA	53
MCM4	AAAYATWAA	53
ORC1	WTTWATRTTT	51
MCM4	WAAAYATWAA	44
ORC	CGCTGAGGCR	40
ORC1	AMCTAAAYAT	35
MCM3	CATTCGSCGG	32
MCM7	CCGSCGAATG	32
MCM4	RMCTAAAYAT	25
ORC	CGAMGCSCSA	25
MCM3	WTTTWWAW	22

Known consensus sequence: ATTTATATTTA



Position Specific Weight Matrix

mnt repressor binding site

Nucleotide position →

	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
A	0	0	124	0	4	1	0	0	7	93	3	2	17
C	117	124	0	123	58	0	0	0	0	19	117	113	54
G	0	0	0	0	58	123	0	124	117	3	3	2	3
T	7	0	0	1	4	0	124	0	0	9	1	7	50
consensus	C	C	A	C	C/G	G	T	G	G	A/C	C	C	C/T/A

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